ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) Under the Growth Centre Scheme, Madhya Pradesh has been allotted 6 growth centres, one each in the districts of Durg, Guna, Bhind, Dhar, Raipur and Raisen. The project reports of these centres have already been approved. The scheme envisages development of these centres during the Five Year Plan period.

(c) So far, Central assistance of Rs. 3.50 crores during 1991-92 and Rs. 6.50 crores during 1992-93 has been released to the State Government for the growth centres.

Grants for Khadi Gramodyog

2202. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI:
CHOWDHARY HARI SINGH:
Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of grants given by Government to the Khadi Gramodyog Board, Raigarh during each of the last three years;

(b) whether Government have increased the amount of the said grant for the year 1992-93; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRY) (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) The Union Government provides funds to Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) by way of loans and grants for the development and promotion of KVI Sector in the country. KVIC in turn provides funds to 30 State/UTs. KVI Boards and its directly aided Institutions. Government is not aware of KVI Board, Raigarh.

Cement Production

2203. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:
SHRI S. VIDUTHALAI VIRUMBI:
Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the installed production capacities of cement factories in the country;

(b) what had been the production out of this capacity during the last three years;

(c) what had been the All India consumption, year-wise figure;

(d) how much stock approximately were carried over in each year during this period, year-wise figure;

(e) whether any study in the past has been conducted about the performance of this industry; and

(f) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) The installed capacity and production by large cement plants during the last three years has been as under :—

(Million tonnes)

Year	Installed Capacity	Production
1990-91	59.02	45.76
1991-92	61.31	50.61
1992-93	64.84	50.72

(c) & (d) The production of cement has been sufficient to meet the demand and no shortage of cement has been reported from any part of the country. The figures of All India consumption during the last three years and the approximate closing stocks held by large cement plants at the end of respective years are as under :—

(Million tonnes)

Year	All India Consumption	Closing Stock
1990-91	45.80	0.62
1991-92	50.49	0.79
1992-93	50.68	0.82

(e) & (f) No study has been conducted about the performance of cement industry during the last three years. However, the performance of industry is reviewed from time to time by Government.

Boiler contract with Malaysia by BHEL

2204. SHRI VISHNU KANT SHASTRI:
SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:
Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a report which appeared in the Pioneer of July 29, 1993 regarding BHEL deal about boiler contract with Malaysia's National Power Company, the Tonage National Berhad (TNB);

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) what are the details regarding terms and conditions of the contract;

(d) whether any lobbying fee has been paid in connection with the above deal; and

(e) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) BHEL has bid for 2×500 MW boilers in Malaysia against competitive bids. Technical scrutiny of the tender is underway. Price bid is not yet opened.

(d) No. Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Revival of H.P.C. Unit

2205. SHRI SOM PAL:
SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:
SHRI SHANKAR DAYAL SINGH:
SHRI BRAHMADEO ANAND PASWAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the report captioned 'Revival HPC unit delayed' which appeared in the Indian Express of June 17, 1993;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for this delay;

(c) what steps are being taken to expedite the revival of this unit, which produces an essential item like paper; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (d) Nagaland Pulp and Paper Company Limited has been referred to BIFR and Operating Agency has been appointed. The package proposal prepared by the Corporation is being examined by the Operating Agency and others.

Standardisation by election dates

2206. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Election Commission has decided to standardise by-election dates in two slots throughout the country;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have agreed to the decision taken by the Election Commission; and

(d) if not, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b) As per information made available by the Election Commission, a decision was taken in the Conference of Chief Electoral Officers held on 4th May, 1993 that the Commission will fix two or three sets of programmes for by-elections in a calendar year after taking into account the examinations in Schools and Colleges, monsoon, periods of religious festivals etc.

(c) and (d) under election laws, it is for the Election Commission to fix the programme for by-elections and it is not obligatory for the Commission to take the consent of the Government for it.

Action against judges of High Courts/Supreme Court

2207. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:
SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government or the Chief Justice of India have issued any instructions to take action against the judges of High Courts and the Supreme Court with a view to clean the image and reputation of the judiciary;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ):